



Press Release

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The Treasury Office of Inspector conducted an investigation of Shani Black, former GS-6, Account Technician, United States Mint, for diverting government funds into her personal bank account. From August 1999 to about November 2002, Ms. Black created and submitted fifty-nine fraudulent travel vouchers with fictitious names and caused \$153,471 to be deposited via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) into her personal bank accounts. The case was accepted for prosecution by the United States Attorney Roscoe C. Howard, Jr., District of Columbia. Ms. Black pled guilty on February 17, 2004, to count one of the criminal information charging Ms. Black with False Statements, in violation of 18 USC 1001. In addition, Ms. Black understands that the maximum sentence that can be imposed is not greater than 5 years imprisonment, a fine not exceeding \$250,000, an order of restitution, and an obligation to pay any applicable interest or penalties on fines or restitution not timely made. Ms. Black's sentencing is scheduled for June 14, 2004. For more details, please see the [Department of Justice Press Release](#).